

# Federal Staging Area Republic Airport, NY DR-4085 (Superstorm Sandy)



Accomplishments  
and Challenges

# Situation

On Monday, October 29, 2012, Hurricane Sandy made landfall in New Jersey, affecting the surrounding coastal states. The state of New York sustained major damage along the Atlantic coastline including Long Island. New York received a Major Disaster Declaration (DR-4085) on October 30, 2012.



# Republic Airport



USACE Generator Yard

Restaurant Lot

Shuttle Lot

Frustration Lot/Equipment Lot

Ramp Lot

FSA Operations

Gravel Lot

Skykorski Lot

Monument Lot



# Accomplishments

- 644 Trailers of Commodities
- Aprox.
  - 3 million meals
  - 3 million bottles of water
  - 200K blankets
  - Cots & Tarps
- Use of FEMA Corps
- Staff flexibility
- CR Mission



# Accomplishments

- TEAM APPROACH!
- US Forest Service
- State coordination
- Fleet services & Maintenance
- Airport support



# Challenges

## Space and Lots

- Republic Airport
- 5 Lots
- 300 trailers
- 120 trailers/24 hours
- Maintaining accountability
- Multi stacking



# Challenges

## State vs Federal

- Who's what's resource
  - State trailers
  - Fed trailers
- Sharing equipment
  - Contract confusion
  - Who can get it first?





# Challenges

## Task Orders/Burn Rates

- Who says to deploy?
  - ARF/MA/Email/DLAN
- Burn rates
  - No visibility
  - Trailers stacked up
  - Empties





# Challenges

## POD Returns

- Product not used
  - FEMA can't take it back
- Storage
  - Locals using trailers
  - State warehouse
- Donations
  - It will occur
- Trailer tracking
  - Where are they?



# Challenges

## Facilities

- Covered Storage
- Cross docking
- Equipment
  - Forklifts (plural)
  - Light towers
  - UTVs/Pick-up Trucks
  - Roll off dumpsters
  - Light sticks and vests



# Challenges

## Initial Set up

- Early management
- Check in/out
- Lots
  - Less is best
  - “Lot Boss”
- Tracking Inventory
- Dispatch Process
- DOCUMENT!!!!

## Staffing

- Right staff
- Training/Qualifications
- Night operations
- Equipment
- Connectivity